Processed Tomato Products Situation and Outlook in Selected Countries

Production of tomatoes for processing in 11 major producing countries in 2002 is forecast at 22.3 million tons, up 9 percent from 2001. The increase was attributed mainly to a 22-percent increase in U.S. output as well as increases in Turkey (up 12 percent) and Portugal (up 6 percent). Production of tomato paste in selected countries, excluding the United States, in 2002/03 is forecast at 1.35 million tons, unchanged from last year, due mostly to continued abundant supplies and lower prices. Production of canned tomato pack in selected countries in 2002/03 is forecast at 2 million tons, down 2 percent from last year, due to an expected drop in production in both Italy and Greece. During this same period, exports of tomato paste from selected countries are forecast at 928,000 tons, up 8 percent from 2001/02, while exports of canned tomato pack are forecast at 1.01 million tons, up 2 percent from 2001/02.

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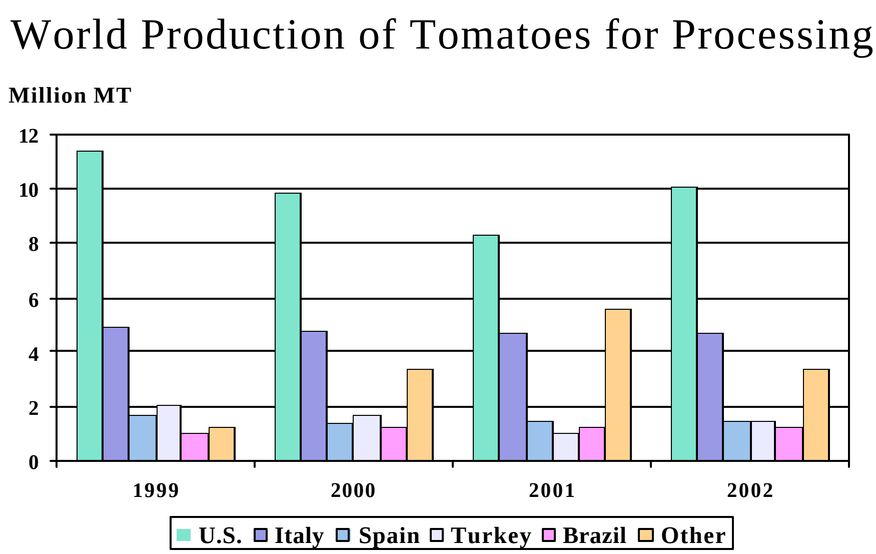
World production of tomatoes for processing is expected to reach 22.3 million tons in 2002/03, up 9 percent from the previous year. The United States produces approximately 46 percent of all the tomatoes for processing produced worldwide.

The top four producers in 2001/02 are the United States (10.1 million tons), Italy (4.7 million tons), Spain (1.45 million tons) and Turkey (1.45 million tons). Other key producers include Brazil, Portugal, and Chile.



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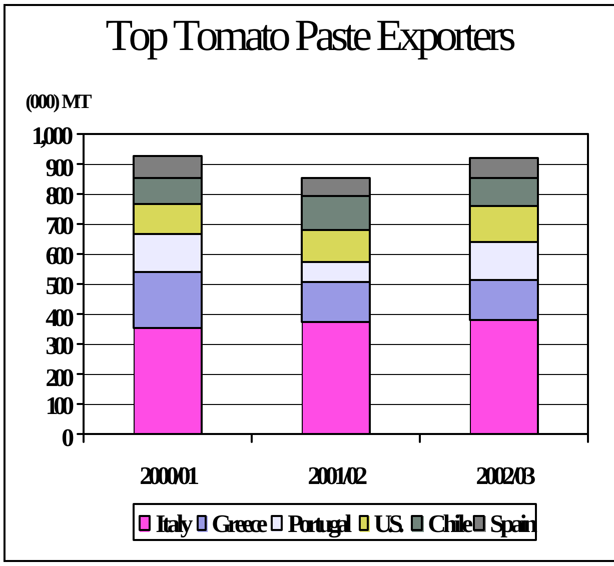
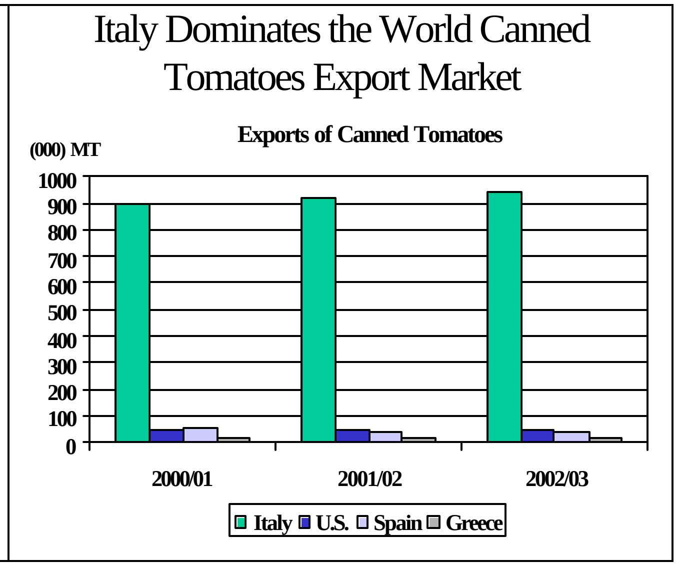
Production of canned tomato pack in selected countries in 2002/03 is forecast at 2 million tons, down 2 percent from last year, due to an expected drop in production in both Italy and Greece. During this same period, exports of tomato paste from selected countries are forecast at 928,000 tons, up 8 percent from 2001/02, while exports of canned tomato pack are forecast at 1.01 million tons, up 2 percent from 2001/02.

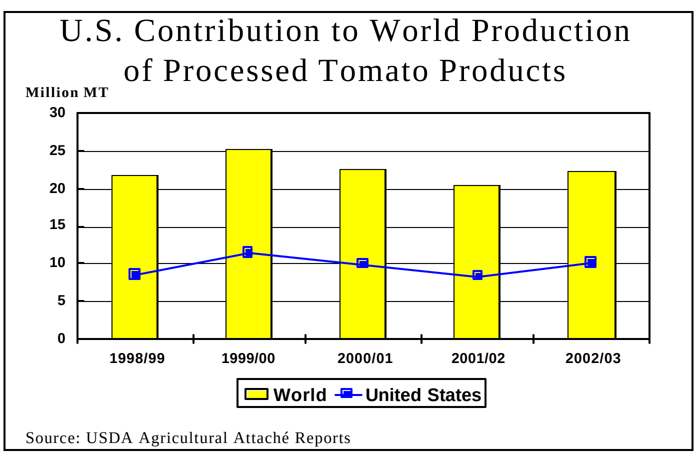




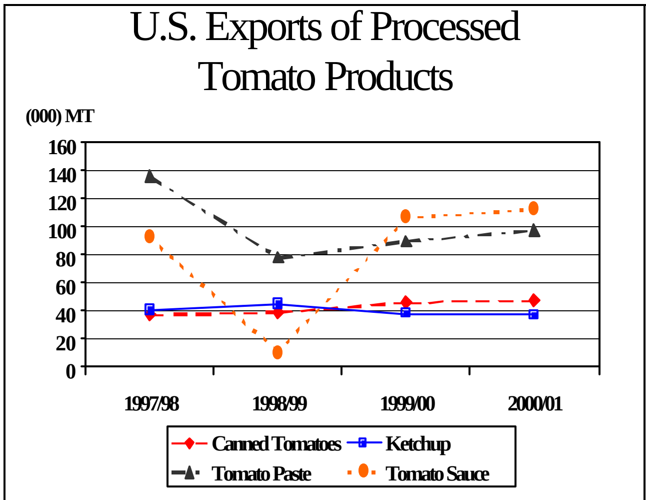
Western Hemisphere

United States

Production of processing tomatoes under contract in 2002 is estimated at 10.1 million tons, up 22 percent from 2001. The increase in output is due mainly to a major increase in area planted caused by smaller carryover of stocks and higher wholesale prices for tomato products during the marketing year. The bulk of U.S. tomatoes for processing are for tomato paste output.



California accounts for about 95 percent of the U.S. processing tomato crop. As of May 15, California's tomato processors reported they have or will have contracts for 9.53 million tons of processing tomatoes for 2002. This production is 23 percent more than the contracted production of last year. Planted area for contracted production is expected to rise 11 percent from last year to 114,121 hectares. Due to excellent weather conditions, processors are expecting a high yielding crop.



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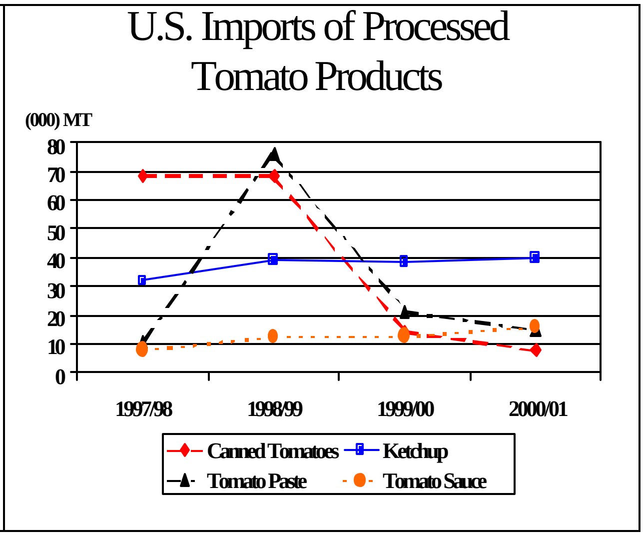


Mexico

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 96,000 tons, down 30 percent from an earlier forecast, mainly due to a reduction in planted area. The reduction is attributed to less utilization from the processing industry, decreased international demand, and lower world prices. Tomato paste production in Mexico in 2002/03 (March to February) is forecast at 11,000 tons, down 22 percent from the revised volume in 2001. As in previous years, world supplies continue to be very high and costs of production continues to rise. Industry experts claim that importing tomato paste from the United States, China, and Chile is less expensive than producing in Mexico, thus forcing Mexican companies to reduce production. The situation has become so critical that some companies have completely stopped production and importation of tomato paste for processing into other products.

Mexico's possibilities of increasing its tomato paste exports have dwindled as the United States has increased tomato paste exports. In addition, China's access to the international market, with high levels of production, has lowered international prices. As the industry finds that it is more profitable to import tomato paste, exports for 2002 are forecast to decrease further. The main markets for Mexican tomato paste are still the United States and South America. Tomato paste imports for 2002 are expected to increase to meet the expected demand from the domestic market, as the industry faces a decrease in production and international prices remain low.

Brazil

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 1.27 million tons, up 2 percent from the revised level in the previous year. Sales and associated prices of the 2001 crop were considerably better than during the previous year, thereby encouraging producers to increase acreage and production. Increased success in fighting pests in the Bahia region should also contribute to the production increase. New higher-yielding tomato varieties are also expected to further boost yields and production. Nearly all of Brazil's processing tomatoes are made into paste. Output of tomato paste in 2002 is forecast at 130,000 tons unchanged from the previous year.

Historically, the majority of Brazilian imports of tomato products are in the form of tomato paste, which is used to supplement domestic production and is further processed in Brazil into consumer-ready sauces and other similar products. In the past, the vast majority of Brazilian imports of tomato products have come from Chile, as they are the largest and most efficient producer in the region. Imports of most tomato products dropped considerably in 1999 due to the January 1999 devaluation of the Brazilian currency increased the cost of imported products. The United States is the leading supplier of ketchup to Brazil.

Chile

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 935,000 tons, down 4 percent from 2001, due largely to lower-than-expected tomato quality as a result of adverse weather conditions. Tomatoes for processing in Chile are planted from mid-September through December and harvested from January 10 to April 15. Output of tomato paste in 2002 is forecast at 102,000 tons, down 8 percent from 2001. This drop is due in part to the lower-than-expected output of tomatoes for processing.

Mediterranean Area

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 in the major producing countries in the European Union (EU) is forecast at 8.3 million tons, about the same as the previous year. Under the reformed common market organization (CMO) for fruits and vegetables of 2001, the minimum price for fresh tomatoes to be processed is no longer applicable. The producer organizations and the processors now set this price. Only tomatoes delivered by a producer organization and corresponding to some quality standards will get subsidies from the EU. Subsidies are now paid directly to growers through the producer organizations and reduced proportionally if production exceeds the national quota. Compensations are possible when other EU countries' processing tomato production falls below their national quotas. This new system seems to favor processors because they will not have to pay a fixed minimum price to growers in order to receive a processing subsidy. In addition, the processors will be free to purchase processing tomatoes from whatever source they chose, including from foreign markets.

Spain

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 1.45 million tons, down slightly from 2001. Improvement in mechanization, as well as new varieties and technologies, are increasing yields and productivity. Production of canned tomatoes under the new CMO reforms for processing tomatoes will be located more and more in Extramadura, a region in western Spain where land and water are abundant.

The market price for tomatoes for processing was about $47.30 per ton in marketing year 2001/02. Farmers and processors have agreed to a price of $45.75 per ton for marketing year 2002/03. Besides this market price, farmers will also receive a EU subsidy of $28.60 per ton of fresh tomatoes for processing into paste or most other tomato products and $31.30 per ton for processing into whole peeled tomatoes. At these rates, farmers delivering to processors receive about 60 percent of their income from the market and the remaining 40 percent from EU subsidies. If the production quotas for processing were removed, Spain could increase production dramatically. Despite the penalty of 10 percent in the subsidy for processing tomatoes (other than whole peeled tomatoes) the production for processing remains profitable.

In calendar year 2001, exports of tomato paste declined by 20 percent compared to the previous year. Imports of tomato paste remained stable, as a spike in imports from China was offset by a decline from other suppliers. Spanish processors are very concerned about imports from China, which they believe will become a very strong competitor in the next few years. Imports of whole peeled tomatoes declined dramatically due to lower local consumption. Most exports of canned tomatoes and tomato paste went to other EU countries. Exports of canned tomatoes to the United States rose by 20 percent in 2001.

Portugal

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 972 million tons, up six percent from 2001. Yields for 2001/02 averaged 78 mt/hectare, 20 percent above last year, due to a combination of good weather plus some rains over the whole season. Crop quality and color is reportedly very good. In addition, industrial yields and quality are also reported to be good, although the average solid content in the crop is considered normal. Roughly 80 percent of total production in Portugal is produced in the Ribatejo e Oeste and the Algarve areas. Most of the tomatoes for processing are produced on small 5-10 hectare plots. However, the structure of the industry is changing, and an estimated 50 percent of all tomato areas (6,000 hectares) now consist of larger-scale plots with new direct-seeding technologies. All areas are irrigated. While the low cost of rural labor is one advantage that the Portuguese sector enjoys, costs of other inputs (especially land cost) are reported to be much higher than in the rest of the EU.

Exports of tomato paste are estimated at 124,000 tons in 2001, slightly above the previous year's level. The main export market continues to be the EU followed by Japan. Sales to the United States are minimal. Processors in Portugal are very concerned about the large increase of Chinese products being imported into the EU. Although the quality is reportedly mixed, Portuguese processors believe that the quality of Chinese products will improve in the near future. Processors are already contemplating new products to replace the production of tomato paste.

Greece

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 880,000 tons, down 9 percent from a year ago, due largely to a decrease in planted area. Production of tomato paste in Greece in 2002 is forecast at

134,000 tons, down 8 percent from 2001. Only 17 plants will process tomato paste during the 2002 season compared to 38 plants in 2000. Most of the plants are located in Macedonia, Thrace, and Thessaly. The reduced number of operating plants reflects the financial problems of the Greek tomato paste industry. Canned tomato production in 2002 is forecast at 28,400 tons, down 10 percent from 2001, due mostly to large 2001 ending stocks and low world prices. Countries such as China and Israel are entering the market with extremely low prices. At the same time, recent changes in EU policies have caused reductions in the support price paid to growers from $.07/kg to $.02/kg today. This development has contributed to farmers' fears that their income from industrial tomatoes will be reduced. Most processing tomato farmers are trying to increase their income by utilizing part of their land resources for crops other than tomatoes, such as cotton, cucumber, onions, and corn.

The foreign demand for tomato paste at present is low because of large world production levels in recent years. At present, prices for the 2002 crop product are approximately the same as last year and Greek producers have already proceeded with advanced sales to their traditional buyers.

France

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 297,000 tons, down slightly from 2001 as a result of a decrease in subsidy for French tomato growers. In Europe, France is a minor producer of processed tomato products, with 4 percent of the total European production. The EU threshold for France set in 2001 by the EU under CMO for fruits and vegetables was 401,500 tons of fresh tomatoes.

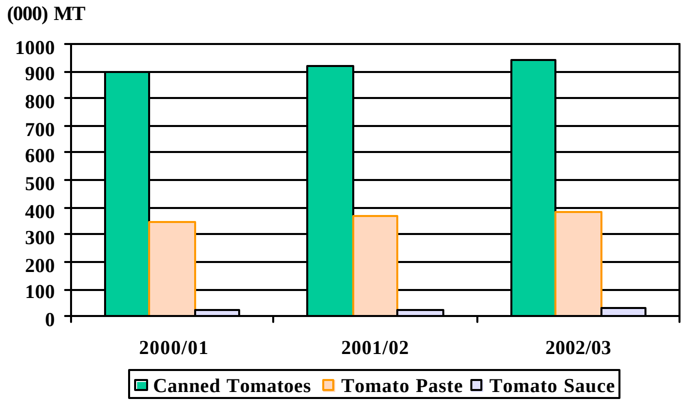
Production of tomato paste accounts for the bulk of processed tomatoes in France. In 2002, output of paste is forecast at 42,200 tons, unchanged from the previous year. Production of canned tomatoes for the same period is forecast at 5,900 tons, also unchanged from 2001. France is a minor producer of processed tomato products and continues to be a net importer of both canned tomatoes and tomato paste. There is almost no trade between the United States and France for these products.

Italy

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 4.7 million tons, up slightly from the previous year, due to an increase in yields. Since 2001, the Italian national production quota was set at 4.35 million tons. That means that Italian processing tomato output exceeded the quota by over 350,000 tons, including tomato juice. Under the new EU tomato system, growers in 2002 will receive $32/ton, down slightly from the previous year. Subsidies are now paid directly to growers through producer organizations and reduced proportionally if production exceeds the national quota. Compensations are possible when other EU countries' processing tomato production falls below their national quotas. This occurred in 2001 and therefore the situation permitted a reduction to the cut in Italian subsidies.

Italian exports of tomato products continue to increase. Prices of Italian tomato exports remained competitive in the international market due to a large domestic supply. Most Italian exports, especially whole tomatoes, are delivered to European and other developed countries. However, a significant share of tomato paste exports is of low quality and is destined for Russia and some of the African countries. Most of this tomato product is prepared using tomato paste for reprocessing imported duty-free from Greece, Turkey, China, and other countries where production costs are much lower. In 2001, 84 percent of total tomato paste imports came from China.

Italian Exports of Processed Tomato Products



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Israel

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 165,000 tons, up 13 percent from the revised output in 2001, which was one of the worst years for the Israeli's tomato processing industry. The total area planted for processing tomatoes is dictated by the quantities the processors are willing to accept. In 2001, 1,650 hectares were planted, compared to 2,150 hectares in crop year 2000. In 2002, planted area will remain almost the same. The Golan Heights, previously an important growing area, mainly for the late ripening varieties, has almost abandoned tomato production due to severe water shortages. Farms there have shifted most of their reduced irrigation quotas to their fruit orchards. Economies of size are a key factor in the production of tomatoes for the processing industry. They have caused most small holders to abandon the industry to large cooperative farms or private companies. Between 85 and 90 percent of all processing tomatoes are produced on large holdings of 50 to 150 hectares. In 2002, production of tomato paste in Israel is forecast at 18,975 tons, up 15 percent from the previous year, due mostly to a large increase in tomato deliveries to processors.

Exports have declined steadily in recent years from a level of $33 million in 1995, to $14 million in 1999, and only $8 million in 2000. The decline is a result of surpluses in the world market and the failure of Israeli producers to compete with low-cost producers such as China.

Turkey

Production of tomatoes for processing in 2002 is forecast at 1.45 million tons, up 12 percent from the previous year, due mainly to insufficient local stocks and expectations for increased exports. Commercial tomato paste production for 2002 is projected to reach 220,000 tons, up 30 percent from last year. Higher prices, which are the result of low domestic stocks, and an expected 10-percent increase in exports, are the reasons for this increase. Also, processors in Turkey are cautious about the potentially large output in California and extremely low export prices offered by China, and are not willing to increase their overall production volume to the 300,000-ton level that was achieved a few years ago. Access to the EU-market also remains a major problem due to a dispute over duty free EU meat exports to Turkey.

The Turkish tomato paste industry is very dependent on exports. In recent years, exports to traditional markets, particularly Libya and Algeria, have declined sharply as a result of political and economic problems in the importing countries. To compensate for the loss of these markets, the Turkish industry is turning increasingly to quality markets, particularly Japan and non-EU European countries. Japan continues to be Turkey's leading export destination because the Japanese prefer the color and taste of Turkish paste and believe that hand picking improves the quality. The EU is not allowing Turkey to utilize its 38,400-ton duty free tomato paste export quota due to a dispute over duty free EU meat exports to Turkey. Over quota imports of tomato paste to the EU are subject to a 15 percent tariff. Industry members believe that Turkey has a comparative advantage in production and processing over the European producers and will benefit greatly from the resolution of quota disputes.

The Attaché Report search engine contains reports on the Processed Tomato industry for several countries including Brazil, Chile, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Portugal, Spain, and Turkey. For more information on production and trade, contact Erik Hansen at 202-720-0875. Also, please visit the processed vegetables commodity page: http://www.fas.usda.gov/htp/horticulture/Proc_Veg.html for further information.

Table 1: Production of Processing Tomatoes in Selected Countries

Region/ Country	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03
	Thousand Metric Tons					
North America						
United States	9,047	8,523	11,416	9,851	**1/** 8,316	**F** 10,083
Mexico	300	290	190	112	96	100
Total	9,347	8,813	11,606	9,963	8,412	10,183
South America						
Brazil	950	1,225	1,000	1,200	1,240	1,265
Chile	912	950	975	940	975	935
Total	1,862	2,175	1,975	2,140	2,215	2,200
Western Mediterranean						
Italy	3,520	4,372	4,900	4,810	4,690	4,700
Greece	1,245	1,325	1,350	1,150	970	880
Spain	981	1,336	1,687	1,381	1,463	1,450
Portugal	772	988	997	855	917	972
France	286	327	363	324	298	297
Total	6,804	8,348	9,297	8,520	8,338	8,299
Eastern Mediterranean						
Turkey	1,080	2,050	2,050	1,700	1,300	1,450
Israel	176	267	267	223	146	165
Total	1,256	2,317	2,317	1,923	1,446	1,615
Total Mediterranean	8,060	10,665	11,614	10,443	9,784	9,914
Grand Total	**19,269**	**21,653**	**25,195**	**22,546**	**20,411**	**22,297**

Source: Horticultural and Tropical Products Division, FAS, USDA

1/ based on contracts

F= forecast based on contract intentions

Table 2: Canned Tomatoes 1/
Production, Supply, and Distribution in Selected Countries

Marketing Year 2/	Beginning Stocks	Production	Imports	Supply Distribution	Exports	Domestic Consumption	Ending Stocks
Brazil							
2000/2001	855	2,300	6,000	9,155	195	8,600	360
2001/2002	360	2,600	6,200	9,160	200	8,750	210
2002/2003 F	210	2,800	6,200	9,210	200	8,800	210
Chile							
2000/2001	74	6,000	0	6,074	1,972	3,300	802
2001/2002	802	5,900	0	6,702	2,850	3,400	452
2002/2003 F	452	4,400	0	4,852	1,275	3,400	177
France							
2000/2001	9,719	16,030	88,629	114,378	5,894	100,000	8,484
2001/2002	8,484	5,900	95,000	109,384	5,500	95,884	8,000
2002/2003 F	8,000	5,900	95,000	108,900	5,500	95,400	8,000
Greece							
2000/2001	1,799	36,900	14,000	52,699	18,000	32,500	2,199
2001/2002	2,199	31,356	19,000	52,555	14,500	32,500	5,555
2002/2003 F	5,555	28,400	16,000	49,955	14,000	32,750	3,205
Israel							
2000/2001	8,105	18,046	260	26,411	11,800	8,600	6,011
2001/2002	6,011	11,100	0	17,111	7,000	8,100	2,011
2002/2003 F	2,011	13,365	250	15,626	7,500	7,500	626
Italy							
2000/2001	417,000	1,888,000	12,000	2,317,000	900,000	900,000	517,000
2001/2002	517,000	1,780,000	10,000	2,307,000	920,000	920,000	467,000
2002/2003 F	467,000	1,750,000	10,000	2,227,000	940,000	930,000	357,000
Spain							
2000/2001	20,000	195,623	2,817	218,440	54,548	158,000	5,892
2001/2002	5,892	195,400	1,063	202,355	40,866	155,000	6,489
2002/2003 F	6,489	195,833	1,000	203,322	42,000	156,322	5,000
Total							
2000/2001	457,552	2,162,899	123,706	2,744,157	992,409	1,211,000	540,748
2001/2002	540,748	2,032,256	131,263	2,704,267	990,916	1,223,634	489,717
2002/2003 F	489,717	2,000,698	128,450	2,618,865	1,010,475	1,234,172	374,218

Source: U.S. Agricultural Attaché Reports, FAS/USDA

1/ Includes whole peeled, and/or wedged, diced, crushed, and other non-concentrated products

2/ Marketing years are July-June with the exception of France's, which is August-July, and Brazil's is May-April.

F = Forecast

Table 3: Tomato Paste
Production, Supply, and Distribution in Selected Countries

Marketing Year 1/	Beginning Stocks	Production	Imports	Supply Distribution	Exports	Domestic Consumption	Ending Stocks
Brazil							
2000/2001	17,449	110,000	500	127,949	1,000	125,350	1,599
2001/2002	1,599	130,000	400	131,999	1,000	126,500	4,499
2002/2003 F	4,499	130,000	400	134,899	1,000	127,500	6,399
Chile							
2000/2001	1,363	110,000	0	111,363	87,584	11,680	12,099
2001/2002	12,099	111,000	0	123,099	109,009	11,680	2,410
2002/2003 F	2,410	102,000	0	104,410	90,000	11,710	2,700
France							
2000/2001	38,644	43,100	84,177	165,921	5,992	99,929	60,000
2001/2002	60,000	42,200	70,000	172,200	6,000	100,000	66,200
2002/2003 F	66,200	42,200	70,000	178,400	6,000	105,000	67,400
Greece							
2000/2001	43,000	180,000	3,500	226,500	190,000	15,500	21,000
2001/2002	21,000	145,000	12,000	178,000	135,000	17,500	25,500
2002/2003 F	25,500	134,000	14,000	173,500	135,000	17,500	21,000
Israel							
2000/2001	9,420	26,290	0	35,710	16,353	14,200	5,157
2001/2002	5,157	16,560	0	21,717	6,000	12,500	3,217
2002/2003 F	3,217	18,975	500	22,692	7,000	12,500	3,192
Italy							
2000/2001	160,000	340,000	65,000	565,000	350,000	74,000	141,000
2001/2002	141,000	330,000	70,000	541,000	370,000	74,000	97,000
2002/2003 F	97,000	328,000	73,000	498,000	380,000	74,000	44,000
Mexico							
2000/2001	0	21,000	17,183	38,183	7,176	31,007	0
2001/2002	0	14,000	22,000	36,000	5,000	31,000	0
2002/2003 F	0	11,000	24,000	35,000	4,000	31,000	0
Portugal							
2000/2001	27,650	155,955	0	183,605	124,383	39,222	20,000
2001/2002	20,000	158,387	0	178,387	64,781	100,106	13,500
2002/2003 F	13,500	155,000	0	168,500	125,000	38,500	5,000
Spain							
2000/2001	20,900	169,718	15,058	205,676	75,967	126,000	3,709
2001/2002	3,709	225,849	13,715	243,273	64,818	140,000	38,455
2002/2003 F	38,455	205,357	10,000	253,812	70,000	150,000	33,812
Turkey							
2000/2001	25,035	265,000	0	290,035	134,914	117,000	38,121
2001/2002	38,121	170,000	0	208,121	100,000	105,000	3,121
2002/2003 F	3,121	220,000	0	223,121	110,000	107,500	5,621
Total							
2000/2001	343,461	1,421,063	185,418	1,949,942	993,369	653,888	302,685
2001/2002	302,685	1,342,996	188,115	1,833,796	861,608	718,286	253,902
2002/2003 F	253,902	1,346,532	191,900	1,792,334	928,000	675,210	189,124

Source: U.S. Agricultural Attaché Reports, FAS/USDA

1/ Marketing year July-June with the exception of France (August-July), Brazil (May-April), Mexico (March-February), and Turkey (September-August). 2/ 28-30 Percent Basis. F=Forecast.

Table 4: United States Exports
Canned Tomatoes, Ketchup, Tomato Paste, Sauce 1/

Commodity/ Destination	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	July-March 2000/01	July-March 2001/02
				Metric Tons		
Canned Tomatoes						
Canada	24,320	20,736	28,052	30,661	24,408	21,747
Japan	1,947	13,055	10,916	2,400	1,857	1,354
Korea; Republic of	382	1,430	776	777	580	776
Mexico	6,293	954	1,512	3,429	2,520	2,240
Australia	257	516	124	90	69	16
Other	4,398	2,587	4,565	9,852	6,595	13,368
Total	*37,597*	*39,278*	*45,945*	*47,209*	*36,029*	*39,501*
Ketchup						
Japan	9,390	8,861	6,283	5,996	4,536	3,696
Canada	6,771	5,148	5,879	8,405	5,890	6,473
Mexico	4,223	4,201	7,186	7,129	5,692	4,909
Brazil	417	4,035	939	71	71	171
Hong Kong	3,458	3,474	3,567	2,475	1,791	3,855
Israel	1,371	2,171	1,295	2,020	1,271	1,811
United Kingdom	334	1,725	1,651	286	135	910
Netherlands Antilles	649	969	597	502	356	449
Saudi Arabia	1,240	923	1,156	1,015	873	313
Other	12,455	13,102	9,670	9,224	6,386	8,613
Total	*40,308*	*44,609*	*38,223*	*37,123*	*27,001*	*31,200*
Tomato Paste						
Canada	46,171	41,556	46,097	47,731	37,169	36,273
Japan	14,358	7,455	10,274	16,748	11,168	9,907
Dominican Republic	116	6,891	77	900	329	1,186
Korea; Republic of	10,634	5,472	6,465	7,989	6,274	4,716
Philippines	5,804	4,623	4,288	508	356	1,844
Mexico	5,307	3,768	7,188	12,670	9,127	8,729
Taiwan	1,839	2,058	1,819	823	354	53
Hong Kong	1,313	1,428	1,061	1,466	1,202	1,652
Haiti	3,247	1,183	2,097	536	304	1,295
Other	47,036	3,353	10,458	8,278	6,744	2,673
Total	*135,825*	*77,787*	*89,824*	*97,649*	*73,027*	*68,328*
Tomato Sauce						
Canada	63,686	71,206	69,465	66,642	47,496	51,090
Mexico	5,757	6,303	6,287	10,640	7,570	10,053
Japan	4,265	3,278	3,839	6,078	4,996	2,107
Saudi Arabia	1,441	1,917	806	1,304	1,067	828
Korea; Republic of	1,840	1,734	2,617	1,765	1,371	1,524
United Kingdom	1,586	1,489	3,711	4,345	3,206	2,516
Netherlands	1,250	1,201	1,525	1,266	1,090	437
Sweden	1,324	1,015	1,409	1,341	1,104	1,073
Other	11,122	10,209	16,576	18,956	14,285	11,811
Total	*92,271*	*98,352*	*106,235*	*112,337*	*82,185*	*81,439*

1/ Marketing year (July-June). Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Table 5: United States Imports
Canned Tomatoes, Ketchup, Tomato Paste, Sauce 1/

Commodity/ Destination	**1997/98**	**1998/99**	**1999/00**	**2000/01**	**July-March 2000/01**	**July-March 2001/02**
			Metric Tons			
Canned Tomatoes						
Italy	47,352	39,028	2,003	371	332	155
Israel	6,461	10,464	5,611	1,178	827	3,074
Canada	5,880	9,870	2,747	2,767	2,110	4,371
Spain	5,762	5,482	2,243	1,036	591	1,383
Chile	2,394	2,841	462	688	353	402
Turkey	402	139	322	40	38	16
Other	191	338	800	1,734	594	488
Total	*68,442*	*68,162*	*14,188*	*7,814*	*4,845*	*9,889*
Ketchup						
Canada	31,786	38,747	37,871	39,207	30,874	43,348
China	0	222	380	402	289	1,846
Hong Kong	0	45	0	9	0	30
India	17	16	13	31	16	47
Japan	0	16	0	0	0	0
Other	11	18	50	78	66	102
Total	*31,814*	*39,064*	*38,314*	*39,727*	*31,245*	*45,373*
Tomato Paste						
Chile	491	27,302	2,348	669	371	1,407
Mexico	8,350	22,815	6,884	3,508	313	0
Peru	0	5,948	1,238	795	755	354
Israel	1,118	4,722	6,735	2,215	1,933	1,704
Italy	425	4,659	175	729	670	556
China	0	4,265	3,363	6,283	1,737	4,166
Canada	149	1,635	97	14	0	112
Portugal	8	1,295	0	0	0	0
Turkey	63	1,282	324	342	290	442
Other	100	2,111	60	287	244	447
Total	*10,705*	*76,034*	*21,224*	*14,842*	*6,313*	*9,188*
Tomato Sauce						
Canada	5,385	5,638	6,036	7,741	6,769	5,492
France	0	3,016	0	0	0	7
Portugal	6	1,108	0	2	2	0
Dominican Republic	1,266	902	1,848	3,194	1,002	6,579
Italy	821	674	1,087	1,715	1,318	1,303
Mexico	69	559	3,210	2,916	1,824	2,321
Other	329	588	381	370	315	309
Total	*7,876*	*12,485*	*12,562*	*15,938*	*11,230*	*16,011*

1/ Marketing year (July-June). Source: U.S. Census Bureau